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The Honorable Todd Russell Platts
U. S. House of Representatives
Washington, D.C. 20515

Dear Congressman Platts:

Thank you for your letter of September 22, 2009, expressing your interest in the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency's (EPA's) pending rulemaking governing the management of coal combustion residuals (CCRs). In your letter, you urged the agency to issue federal regulations consistent with previous regulatory determinations on these wastes and to work with the states in that process.

EPA is evaluating this issue as part of our rulemaking process on the management of coal combustion residuals. Administrator Jackson has committed to issuing a proposal by the end of the calendar year. We appreciate your interest and input. We will consider your comments and include them in the docket for this rulemaking.

Again, thank you for your letter. If you have further questions, please contact me or your staff may call Amy Hayden, in EPA's Office of Congressional and Intergovernmental Relations, at (202) 564-0555.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in black ink, which appears to read "Mathy Stanislaus", is written over the typed name.

Mathy Stanislaus
Assistant Administrator